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#### Portland Fish Notes.

Sch. Yakima that arrived at Portland, in addition to her halibut fare, had 12,000 pounds of hake and 8000 pounds of salt fish.

Other vessels there were, schs. Loph. Invar, Mary Sennett, Augusta A., Fanny Reed, Edmund F. Black, Angie B. Watson, Bennie and Bessie, Rough Rider, Chester A., Nellie G. Walton, Katie L. Palmer, Hockomock, Albert D. Willard, the total catch of the fleet aggregating nearly 100,000 pounds.

#### Will Have Halibut Dinner.

John Bright, one of the crew of the sch. Selma, sent down a nice halibut to the Fishermen's Home on Eastern avenue, which Capt. Gleason will serve to his "crew" at dinner today. Needless to say, the old fellows appreciated Mr. Bright's kindness and will enjoy the meal.

#### Halibut Sale.

The halibut fare of sch. Thomas A. Cromwell landed at Portland, Wednesday, sold at 14 cents a pound for white and 11 1-2 cents a pound for gray.

#### Salt Steamer Coming.

Steamer Numia sailed from Iviza, Spain on Tuesday last with a cargo of salt for this port.

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#### Made Big Money.

The fare of fresh fish of sch. Cynthia, Capt. Jeffery Thomas at Boston yesterday, realized the fine stock of \$2400, the crew sharing \$58 each. In less than a month, the Cynthia has made two trips, stocking \$5000 on both, the crew getting \$116 each clear as their share of the proceeds.

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## WEEK CLOSED VERY QUIETLY.

ONLY FOUR OF THE MARKET  
FLEET MADE T WHARF  
THIS MORNING.

The week closed very quietly at T wharf this morning, four shore crafts with less than 50,000 pounds constituting the total receipts.

Trade was quieter than it has been, consequently the demand was not heavy. Haddock brought \$3.85 a hundred weight, large cod, \$4 to \$5; market cod, \$3 to \$4; hake, \$3 to \$6.12 1-2 and cusk, \$2.50 to \$2.75.

#### Boston Arrivals.

The fares and prices in detail are. Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, 12,000 haddock, 200 cod, 2000 pollock, Sch. Olive F. Hutchings, 9000 haddock, 500 cod, 2500 hake, George H. Lubee, 14,000 haddock, 400 cod, 2500 hake, Dixie, 2500 cod.

Haddock, \$3.85; large cod, \$4 to \$5; market cod, \$3 to \$4; hake \$3 to \$6.12 1-2; cusk, \$2.50 to \$2.75.

## MORRISSEY'S NEW RECORD.

SCH. ARETHUSA STOCKED \$3480.05  
ON HER RECENT FRESH  
FISH TRIP.

Capt. Clapton Morrissey has established a new record in the winter haddock fishery, stocking just \$3480.05 as the result of his mammoth fare landed at Boston, Thursday, the crew sharing \$79.87 to a man.

Capt. Morrissey beats his own previous record, little better than \$150. So far as is known it is the largest check paid over at the exchange to any sailing vessel in the haddock fishery. Capt. Morrissey carried 11 dories on his last trip, one more than on the former, consequently there was but a slight advance in the individual share.

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## CLAM DIGGERS WIN THEIR FIGHT

### Senator Schofield's Bill

Favored by Fisheries  
and Game Committee.

Commission's Plan  
of State Authority

Only Found No Favor.

State House, Boston, March 9.—The clam diggers of Essex county won a signal victory yesterday when the committee on Fisheries and Game by vote of 10 to one declared in favor of reporting favorably the petition and bill of George A. Schofield of Ipswich retaining to cities and towns the right to take from the Commonwealth a lease of the right to control and regulate the taking of clams from all the flats within its borders.

The committee voted leave to withdraw on the proposition recommended by the commission on fisheries and game which would give the state entire authority over the leasing of the clam flats.

The Schofield bill has been amended to include beside the common clam, little neck clams and sea clams, so called, and further by reducing the term of years of the leases to the cities and towns from 25 to 15 years.

The bill also has been amended with a provision for a referendum before its provisions can be made operative.

The right to make regulations for the sub-leasing of the flats to persons desiring to take clams is left entirely with the local authorities, while under the commission bill this right was denied the cities and towns and would be held by the state.

The bill as it will be reported from the committee on Monday in the upper branch by Senator Schofield provides that the commissioners of fisheries and game shall issue a lease of the clam flats to each city or town which make application therefor, for a term of 15 years, at an annual rental of \$5 a year, to be paid into the treasury of the Commonwealth.

No such lease shall give the right to any city or town to sub-let to any person or corporation any of its rights under such lease. All the rights granted to a city or town shall be held for the benefit of its citizens.

City governments in cities and town meetings in towns, may make rules and regulations for the control and regulation of the taking of clams, and may authorize the granting of permits to citizens of such cities and towns to take clams, and may prescribe the time and methods of such taking.

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#### A TURTLE STORY.

Two men who were digging a canal at the State Farm in Bridgewater got a sudden fright one afternoon last week, when they found the ground beneath them beginning to rise. On investigation they found a large snapping turtle imbedded there, for its winter sleep. The turtle was more than four feet long, it is said, and 20 inches wide across the shell. From the rings on its back its age was estimated to be 136 years.

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#### Just Notice This.

A very interesting item is the following from the Halifax Herald: "Capt. Fred Porrier leaves tomorrow for Gloucester, Mass., to bring to Digby the American fishing sch. Harvester, 76 tons, which was built at Essex, Mass., in 1892. Capt. Prime and Capt. John Snow have purchased the vessel jointly, and Capt. Prime is to command her in the shack fishery, disposing of his trips at American ports. The Harvester is to retain her American registry, but she will be a Digby owned vessel, manned by a Digby crew and will fit out here."

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## CAPT. MURPHY FOUND THE FISH.

GILL NETTER VENTURE HAD 10-  
000 POUNDS MOSTLY HAD-  
DOCK YESTERDAY.

Sch. Cavalier, Capt. Robert Porper, is here from Grand Bank this morning after a five weeks' trip on Grand Bank with 25,000 pounds of fresh halibut.

Sch. W. H. Moody from Georges arrived yesterday afternoon with a small fare of about 2000 weight of halibut and 4000 salt cod. Steamer Bryda F., one of the pollock netting fleet came here during the morning with 15,000 pounds of pollock.

The gill netters brought in about 25,000 pounds, steamer Venture, Capt. Patrick Murphy again leading the fleet with 10,000 weight, chiefly haddock.

#### Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:

Sch. Cavalier, from Grand Bank, 25,000 lbs. halibut.

Sch. Wm. H. Moody, Georges, 2000 lbs. halibut, 4000 lbs. salt cod.

Str. Ibsen, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Alice, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Quoddy, gill netting, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Eagle, gill netting, 400 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Naomi Bruce, gill netting, 3500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Mindora, gill netting, 300 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Rough Rider, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Margaret D., gill netting, 3000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. F. S. Willard, gill netting, 1000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Prince Olaf, gill netting, 700 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Enterprise, gill netting, 500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Bethulla, gill netting, 2500 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Venture, gill netting, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Hope, gill netting, 700 lbs. fresh fish.

Str. Geisha, gill netting, 800 lbs. fresh fish.

Steamer Bryda F., pollock seining, 15,000 lbs. fresh pollock.

Sch. Teazer, via Boston.

Sch. Flora S. Oliver, via Boston.

Sch. Harriett, via Boston.

Sch. Emily Sears, via Boston.

Sch. Actor, via Boston.

Sch. Arethusa, via Boston.

Sch. Rita A. Viator, shore.

#### Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Benj. A. Smith, haddocking.

Sch. Elsie, haddocking.

Sch. Alice, haddocking.

Sch. Leo, haddocking.

Sch. Clara G. Silva, haddocking.

Sch. Jeanette, haddocking.

Sch. Senator Gardner, salt bank trawling.

#### TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

##### Salt Fish.

Handline Georges codfish, large \$5 per cwt., medium, \$4.50, snappers, \$3.

Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.75, mediums, \$4.25.

Haddock, \$1.50.

Pollock, \$1.50.

Cusk, large, \$2.50, medium, \$2, snappers, \$1.50.

Hake, \$1.50.

##### Fresh Fish.

Haddock, \$1 per cwt.

Peak cod, large, \$2.15, medium, \$1.75, snappers 75 cts.

Western cod, large, \$2.25, mediums, \$1.85, snappers 75 cts.

All codfish not gilled, 10 cts. per 100 pounds less than the above.

Cusk, large, \$1.50, medium, \$1.20, snappers 60 cts.

Bank halibut, 11c per lb. for white and 8c per lb. for gray.

##### Bait Prices.

Frozen bluebacks, \$2.50 to \$3 per cwt.

Newfoundland frozen herring, \$2.75 to \$3.25 per cwt.

Shore frozen herring, \$2 to \$3 per bbl.

Frozen squid, \$3.75 per cwt.

#### Will Go For Halibut.

Sch. Topsail Girl, which has been hauled up at Union wharf, Portland, for several weeks, is now fitting out for the halibut fishery and her skipper, Capt. Doggett, is planning to go eastward with her about the middle of March.

#### Halibut Sale.

The fresh halibut fare of sch. Cavalier sold to the New England Fish company this forenoon at 11 cents a pound for white and eight cents for gray.

#### Fine Stock and Share.

Sch. Fannie E. Prescott, Capt. Jack Robbins stocked \$2740 as the result of her recent haddock trip, the crew each sharing \$88.20 clear.

#### Went to Split.

The fresh haddock fare of Sch. Maud F. Silva sold to George Perkins & Son yesterday.

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## THE POLLOCK HAVE STRUCK.

Pollock have struck in off Boon island and this morning the steamer Bryda F. came in with a nice catch of about 15,000 pounds.

Fish have been reported schooling in that vicinity for the past few days and it is quite likely that the fleet of seiners will get underway now that the schools are showing up.

#### Good Stock.

Sch. Elk, Capt. Charles Colson, made a nice stock from her halibut trip landed here yesterday, clearing \$2300, the crew's share being \$67.50 each.

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## WILL CONFER WITH CAPT. GARDNER.

Delegates of Anti-Beam

Trawling Committee to

go to Washington.

Another enthusiastic and largely attended meeting of the anti-beam trawling committee was held at the rooms of the Master Mariners' Association Saturday evening, Capt. Henry M. Atwood, chairman, presiding.

Various matters and details pertaining to the campaign which is to be waged against the beam trawler were discussed and the report of the progress made to date was most encouraging. Edward P. Ring, official collector for the committee is meeting with a generous response in his collections from the local fleet, for the fund that will be necessary to carry on the fight.

It was voted to send one or two delegates to Washington to confer with Congressman Gardner and other officials interested. They will discuss the situation and secure information and data that will be of assistance to the committee. The matter of appointment of the delegates was left to the chairman.

It was also voted to send a representative to Provincetown to see what progress is being made there and to awaken general interest in the movement begun.

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#### Made a Dandy Stock.

Another dandy stock in the winter's halibut fishery is that of sch. Yakima, Capt. Robert Wharton, which arrived at Portland Thursday. The total stock was \$3192, the crew sharing \$91 to a man.

#### Halibut Fare at Portland.

Sch. Avalon is at Portland this morning with 18,000 pounds of halibut, which sold at 10 cents a pound for white and eight cents a pound for gray.